

## **CAPSULE SUMMARY**

**CT-209**

**Emery Wilburne House**

**3851 Dalrymple Road**

**Chesapeake Beach, Calvert County**

**1913 ca.**

**Private**

The single-family dwelling at 3851 Dalrymple Road in Chesapeake Beach, Calvert County, is set on 31 acres of land with a view southward to the Chesapeake Bay. The property was purchased by Emery Wilburne about the turn of the 20th century from Annie and Lang Dinton. The two-and-a-half-story wood-frame structure was constructed about 1913 in the Queen Anne style by the Lyons and Gibson Construction Company. It was eventually sold by Wilburne second wife, following his death, at a tax sale. The present owner, David Harris, purchased the property in April 1965, intending to renovate the high-style dwelling to serve as their home. The severe destruction by powder post beetles thwarted renovation efforts, and the building has been vacant since the early 1990s.

The single-family dwelling, dating from circa 1913, stands two-and-a-half stories in height on a cement pier foundation. Originally clad in a dropped wood weatherboard, the wood-frame structure was covered in aluminum siding in the 1970s. The irregular plan of the Queen Anne-style dwelling is augmented by two three-sided canted bays on the north and east elevations. An original two-story kitchen ell projects from the south elevation of the main block of the building. The main block of the structure measures two bays wide on the north elevation and three bays deep on the side elevation. The ell is approximately two bays deep with a rectangular form. Although no longer present, a wrap-around porch once encircled the house from the north elevation around the east elevation and terminated on the east side of the ell. This porch was largely deteriorated in the mid-1960s and was shortly thereafter removed entirely. A one-story porch was added to the east elevation of the ell in the early 1970s. The building is heated by two corbeled brick chimneys that pierced the hipped roof. The roof, clad in pressed tin with a lamb's tongue motif, has pedimented gables that project from the main hipped roof to shelter the two-story canted bays. Originally, the pedimented gables were clad in diamond-shaped wood shingles and lacked fenestration. When the building was reclad, the shingles were covered with aluminum siding and 1/1 windows were cut into the gable ends. The single-leaf main entry to the side-passage interior is covered by a louvered wood door. The window openings hold 1/1 sash with aluminum-encased surrounds and sills. A jalousie window was added in the kitchen ell in the 1970s.

# Maryland Historical Trust

## Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

Inventory No. CT-209

### 1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic Emery Wilburne House  
other

### 2. Location

street and number 3851 Dalrymple Road not for publication  
city, town Chesapeake Beach vicinity  
county Calvert

### 3. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name David R. Harris  
street and number 5550 Bayside Road telephone 410/286-3060  
city, town Chesapeake Bch state MD zip code 20732

### 4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Calvert County Courthouse tax map and parcel: 16/16  
city, town Pr. Frederick liber JLB 73 folio 301

### 5. Primary Location of Additional Data

- ☐ Contributing Resource in National Register District  
☐ Contributing Resource in Local Historic District  
☐ Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register  
☐ Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register  
☐ Recorded by HABS/HAER  
☐ Historic Structure Report or Research Report  
☐ Other

### 6. Classification

| Category  | Ownership                                   | Current Function                                      | Resource Count  |
|---|---|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> district               | <input type="checkbox"/> public             | <input type="checkbox"/> agriculture                  | Contributing Noncontributing  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private | <input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade               | 1   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> structure              | <input type="checkbox"/> both               | <input type="checkbox"/> defense                      |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> site                   |   | <input type="checkbox"/> domestic                     |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> object                 |   | <input type="checkbox"/> education                    |   |
|   |   | <input type="checkbox"/> funerary                     | 1   |
|   |   | <input type="checkbox"/> government                   |   |
|   |   | <input type="checkbox"/> health care                  |   |
|   |   | <input type="checkbox"/> industry                     |   |
|   |   | <input type="checkbox"/> landscape                    |   |
|   |   | <input type="checkbox"/> recreation/culture           |   |
|   |   | <input type="checkbox"/> religion                     |   |
|   |   | <input type="checkbox"/> social                       |   |
|   |   | <input type="checkbox"/> transportation               |   |
|   |   | <input type="checkbox"/> work in progress             |   |
|   |   | <input type="checkbox"/> unknown                      |   |
|   |   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use |   |
|   |   | <input type="checkbox"/> other:                       |   |
|   |   |   | Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory |
|   |   |   | 1   |

## 7. Description

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### Condition

|                                    |  |
|------------------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> excellent | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> deteriorated |
| <input type="checkbox"/> good      | <input type="checkbox"/> ruins                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> fair      | <input type="checkbox"/> altered                 |

Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

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According to the present owners, the interior of the building consists of a side-passage hall with a quarter-turn main stair. The front and rear parlors on the east side of the house are divided by sliding pocket doors. Each parlor, enlarged slightly by the three-sided, canted bay windows, are heated by stoves projecting over the mantels from the brick chimneys. A pantry and back quarter-turn stair are located to the south of the main side-passage entry hall. The kitchen is located in the rear ell with exterior access on both the east and west elevations. The building has no central heating system and was illuminated by carbide lights (the generator is located to the south of the house, although not visible at the time of the survey). A well, constructed of parged concrete directly over the dirt, provided water for the property. There are no bathrooms in the house, rather an outhouse was located on the property. A root cellar is located under the northwest corner of the house.

Additional outbuildings once extant on the property included a barn, set to the northwest of the house. The wood-frame structure is presently in ruins and was not visible at the time of the survey. Agricultural fields surround the dwelling, which is set substantially back from the road. Access is provided by a gravel drive, which is secured by a metal gate. Boxwoods flank the walk to the main entry on the north elevation. A large magnolia tree was noted to the northeast of the house. Because of the dwelling's location on the slight hill, a view of the Chesapeake Bay is visible to the southeast.

The building has been vacant for since the early 1990s and is in a severe state of structural deterioration largely caused by powder post beetles, dry wood-eating insects ranging in size from one-twelfth to one-fifth inch long. The structure is surrounded by overgrown bush to detract vandals from entering. A large hole was dug on the west side of the building, exposing the foundation and structural system, in an attempt to reinforce the structure.

## 8. Significance

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| Period  | Areas of Significance                       | Check and justify below                  |   |  |  |
|---|---|--|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699            | <input type="checkbox"/> agriculture        | <input type="checkbox"/> economics       | <input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine        | <input type="checkbox"/> performing arts     |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799            | <input type="checkbox"/> archeology         | <input type="checkbox"/> education       | <input type="checkbox"/> industry               | <input type="checkbox"/> philosophy          |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899            | <input type="checkbox"/> architecture       | <input type="checkbox"/> engineering     | <input type="checkbox"/> invention              | <input type="checkbox"/> politics/government |  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-1999 | <input type="checkbox"/> art                | <input type="checkbox"/> entertainment/  | <input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> religion            |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2000-                | <input type="checkbox"/> commerce           | <input type="checkbox"/> recreation      | <input type="checkbox"/> law                    | <input type="checkbox"/> science             |  |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> communications     | <input type="checkbox"/> ethnic heritage | <input type="checkbox"/> literature             | <input type="checkbox"/> social history      |  |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> community planning | <input type="checkbox"/> exploration/    | <input type="checkbox"/> maritime industry      | <input type="checkbox"/> transportation      |  |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> conservation       | <input type="checkbox"/> settlement      | <input type="checkbox"/> military               | <input type="checkbox"/> other:              |  |

**Specific dates** 1913 ca **Architect/Builder** Lyons and Gibson Construction

**Construction dates** 1913 ca

Evaluation for:

☐ National Register ☐ Maryland Register ☒ not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance reports, complete evaluation on a DOE Form - see manual.)

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## 9. Major Bibliographical References

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See continuation sheet.

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## 10. Geographical Data

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Acreage of surveyed property 31.33 acres

Acreage of historical setting 43.09 acres

Quadrangle name North Beach

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

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### Verbal boundary description and justification

The abandoned dwelling at 3851 Dalrymple Road in Chesapeake Beach, Calvert County, is located on parcel 16 as noted on Tax Map 16. It has been associated with this site since its construction circa 1913. The current deed to the property can be found in the land records of Calvert County in the Calvert County Courthouse in Prince Frederick: Deed Book JLB 73, Folio 301.

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## 11. Form Prepared By

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organization EHT Traceries

date 3/23/03

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telephone 202/393-1199

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The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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Name Emery Wilburne House

Continuation Sheet

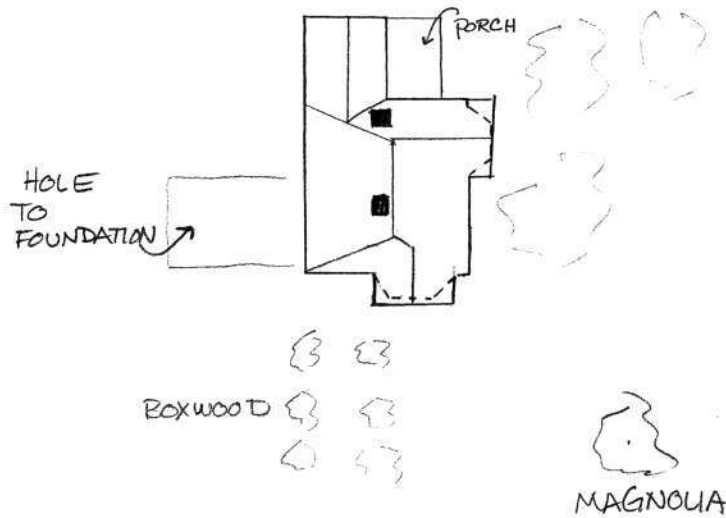
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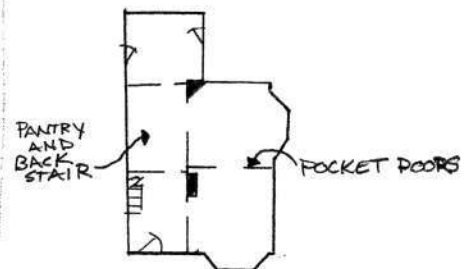
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VIEW TO CHESAPEAKE BAY ↗

← AGRICULTURAL  
FIELDS →



RESOURCE SKETCH MAP  
CT-209  
EMERY WILBURNE HOUSE  
3851 DALRYMPLE RD  
CHESAPEAKE BEACH  
CALVERT COUNTY

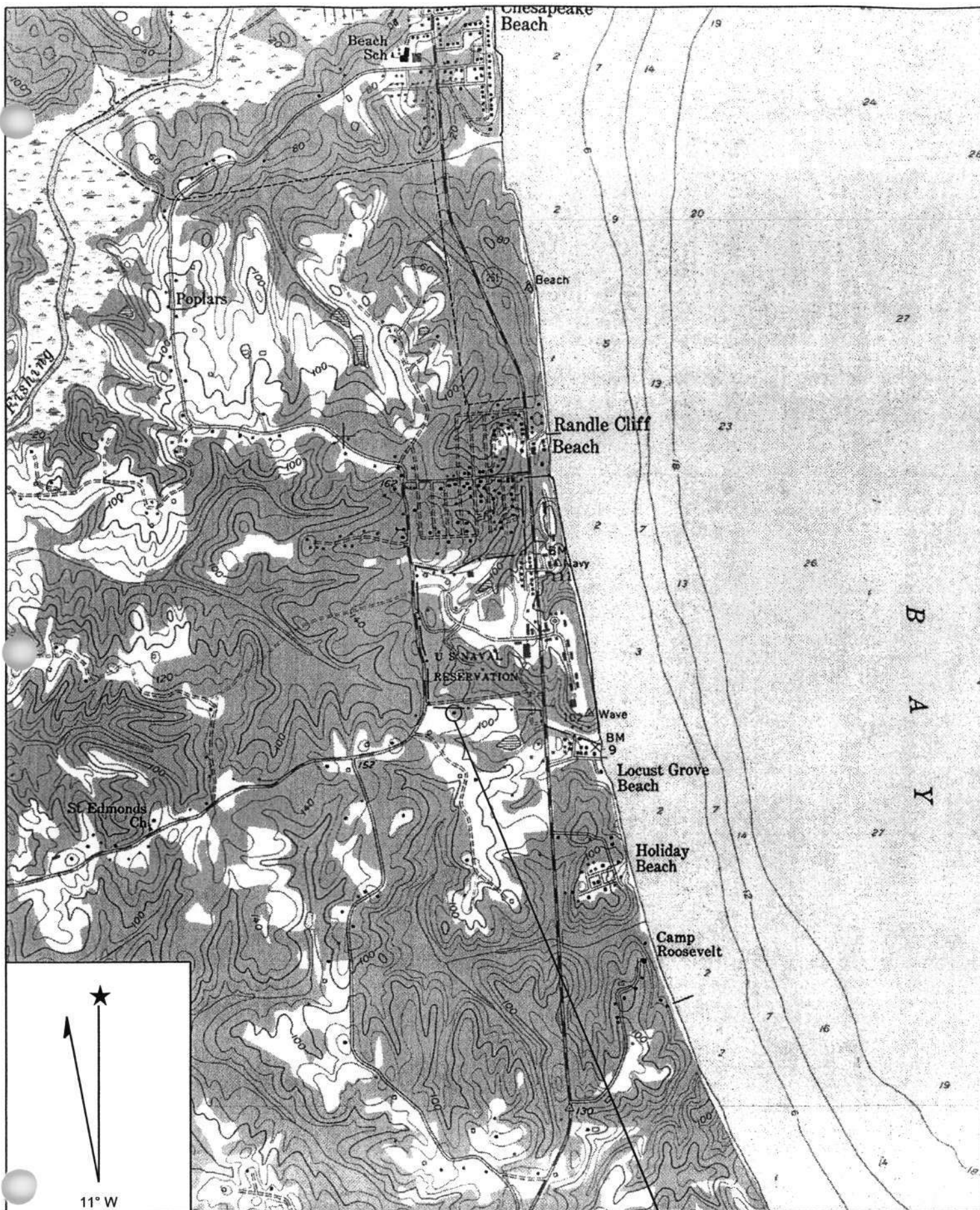


CONJECTURAL FIRST FLOOR

GRAVEL DRIVE

DALRYMPLE ROAD





Name: NORTH BEACH  
 Date: 6/5/2003  
 Scale: 1 inch equals 2000 feet

Location: 18 366604 E 4279854 N  
 Caption: CT-209  
 Emery Wilburne House  
 3851 Dalrymple Rd., Chesapeake Beach





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E. WILBURNE HOUSE

3851 DALRYMPLE ROAD

CALVERT COUNTY, MARYLAND

TRACERIES

5/2003

MD SHPO

NORTH FACADE, LOOKING SOUTH

1 OF 5



CT-209

E. WILBURNE HOUSE

3851 DALRYMPLE ROAD

CALVERT COUNTY, MARYLAND

TRACERIES

5/2003

MD SHPO

NORTHEAST CORNER LOOKING SOUTHWEST

2 OF 5





CT-209

E. WILBURNE HOUSE

3851 DALRYMPLE ROAD

CALVERT COUNTY, MARYLAND

TRACERIES

5/2003

WEST ELEVATION, LOOKING SOUTH

5 OF 5



CT-209

E. WILBURNE HOUSE

3851 DALRYMPLE ROAD

CALVERT COUNTY, MARYLAND

TRACERIES

5/2003

MD SHPO

EAST ELEVATION LOOKING WEST

3 OF 5



CT-209

E. WILBURNE HOUSE

3851 DALRYMPLE ROAD  
CALVERT COUNTY, MARYLAND

TRACERIES

5/2003

SOUTHEAST CORNER AND ELL, LOOKING WEST

4 OF 5



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~~CT-384~~

DAVID R. HARRIS HOUSE  
(Early 20th Century)  
Sunderland  
Private

This house is a two story, two bay "four square" structure with a hipped roof accented by projecting gables over protruding semi-hexagonal bays. Windows have two over two pane sashes. The main entrance, located in the north bay of the west elevation is surrounded by a transom and sidelights.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

David R. Harris House

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

Dalrymple Road

CITY, TOWN

Chesapeake Beach

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Calvert

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

**CATEGORY**

\_\_\_DISTRICT

☒ BUILDING(S)

\_\_\_STRUCTURE

\_\_\_SITE

\_\_\_OBJECT

**OWNERSHIP**

\_\_\_PUBLIC

☒ PRIVATE

\_\_\_BOTH

**PUBLIC ACQUISITION**

\_\_\_IN PROCESS

\_\_\_BEING CONSIDERED

**STATUS**

☒ OCCUPIED

\_\_\_UNOCCUPIED

\_\_\_WORK IN PROGRESS

**ACCESSIBLE**

\_\_\_YES: RESTRICTED

\_\_\_YES: UNRESTRICTED

☒ NO

**PRESENT USE**

☒ AGRICULTURE

\_\_\_COMMERCIAL

\_\_\_EDUCATIONAL

\_\_\_ENTERTAINMENT

\_\_\_GOVERNMENT

\_\_\_INDUSTRIAL

\_\_\_MILITARY

\_\_\_MUSEUM

\_\_\_PARK

☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE

\_\_\_RELIGIOUS

\_\_\_SCIENTIFIC

\_\_\_TRANSPORTATION

\_\_\_OTHER:

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

David R. Harris

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

Dalrymple Road

CITY, TOWN

Chesapeake Beach

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code  
MD 20732

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Calvert County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

Main Street (MD Route 765)

CITY, TOWN

Prince Frederick

STATE

Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

\_\_\_FEDERAL \_\_\_STATE \_\_\_COUNTY \_\_\_LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

CT-209

**CONDITION**

☐ EXCELLENT  
☒ GOOD  
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED  
☐ RUINS  
☐ UNEXPOSED

**CHECK ONE**

☐ UNALTERED  
☒ ALTERED

**CHECK ONE**

☒ ORIGINAL SITE  
☐ MOVED DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This house is a two story, two bay "four square" structure with a hipped roof accented by projecting gables over protruding semi-hexagonal bays. Windows have two over two pane sashes. The main entrance is located in the north bay of the front or west elevation. The door is surrounded by sidelights and a transom. A brick chimney extends from the roof near its peak.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

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| PERIOD                                    |  | AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW |   |  |  |
|---|--|--|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC      | <input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC  | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING      | <input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION            |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499        | <input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC     | <input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION            | <input type="checkbox"/> LAW                    | <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE             |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599        | <input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE             | <input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS               | <input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE             | <input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE           |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION               | <input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY               | <input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799        | <input type="checkbox"/> ART                     | <input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING             | <input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC                  | <input type="checkbox"/> THEATER             |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899        | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE                | <input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT  | <input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY             | <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION      |  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900- | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS          | <input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY                | <input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT    | <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)     |  |
|   |  | <input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION               |   |  |  |

SPECIFIC DATES Early 20th Century

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The basic form of this house is in the "foursquare" style, but with elements such as sidelights and transom, projecting bays, and cross-gables carried over from late Victorian styles.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

## VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

Merry Stinson

ORGANIZATION

Calvert County Historic Sites Survey

DATE

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Route 5, Box 154

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Leitersburg,

STATE

Maryland 21740

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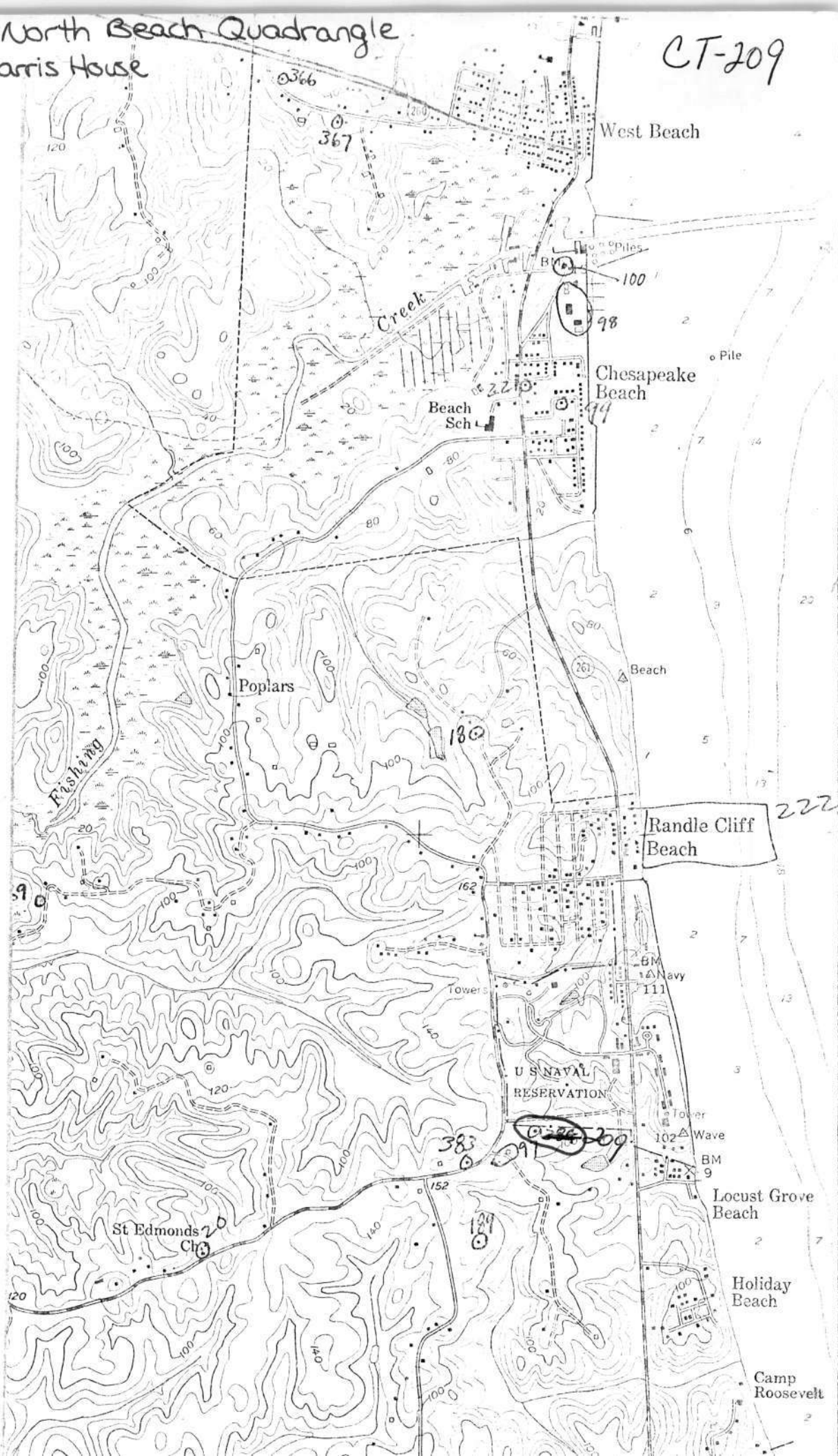
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~~CT-384~~ North Beach Quadrangle  
David R. Harris House

CT-209





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David R. Harris House

Calvert County

Merry Stinson 4/81

W elevation

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David R. Harris House

Calvert County

Merry Stinson 4/81

W elevation

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